

Regular meeting of the City Council, Austin, Texas, September 1903:

Hon F M Maddox, Mayor, presiding: Roll called:

Present Aldermen Armstrong, Crooker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Moore, Petri, Smt  
Smith, Sutor & Wilhelm 10

Absent Aldermen Miller, Moreland, Redd & Scott 4

On motion the minutes were approved as recorded by the Clerk, without  
reading.

*City, City excused*

On motion the City Attorney was excused from further attendance  
at this session of the Council, on account of sickness in his family.

Petitions, Memorials, etc:

By Alderman Crooker petition of Mrs M A Taylor asking to have certain  
pound fees refunded, and also making complaint as to actions of the Pound  
Master. Read and on motion referred to the Police Committee.

Aldermen Miller, Moreland & Scott entered the Council chamber.

By Alderman Moore petition of A R Boutwell asking to have pound fees refer-  
-ed Read and on motion the petition granted.

By Alderman Moore petition of Mrs C M McGee asking to have pound fee  
refunded; read and on motion the petition was granted.

On recommendation of the Mayor the balance on a fine assessed against  
Oberwetter's was remitted.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Alderman Haynes for the Finance committee to whom was referred the  
petition of H W Stroter asking payment of salary claimed to be due  
him, presented the following report, which was read & adopted:

Austin, Texas, Sept 21 1903 :

To the Hon F M Maddox, Mayor, and Board of Aldermen of the City of Austin:  
Gentlemen :

We your Committee on Finance to whom was referred petition of  
H W Stroter Sr for services rendered as Inspector for the Health Board  
from July 1st 1903 beg leave to report that we find no authority for the  
appointment and the appointment of Mr Stroter has not been confirmed by  
the Council, as required by ordinance and that there is no authority for  
payment of such salary. The proceedings of the Council show that when the  
Health Board was organized, it was with the distinct understanding that no  
salary could be paid for this department for the present fiscal year,  
and that no fee system would be allowed. We therefore have to recommend  
that the petition be not granted.

W L Haynes

J M Meredith

L M Crooker

Committee on Finance.

Alderman Moreland Chairman of the Printing Committee made a verbal report  
in regard to the printing of the codified ordinances, On motion of Alderman  
Cuneo further consideration of the matter was postponed.

Alderman Crooker for the Cemetery Committee to whom was referred the  
petition of the Managers of the Womens Confederate Home, asking that the  
City donate space for burial of inmates of the Home, presented a report  
recommending that the petition be granted. On motion the report was laid

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Mrs M A Taylor  
pound fee*

*A R Boutwell  
pound fee  
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*Cemetery space  
for Confederate Home*

over until the next regular meeting of the Council.

Alderman Crocker for the Cemetery Committee to whom was referred the reports of the City Sexton for the months of June, July & August 1906, presented a report stating that they had been examined and found correct on notice the report was adopted.

Alderman Redd entered the Council Chamber.

Alderman Wilhelm for the Charity Committee presented a report stating that they had advertised for bids for hauling remains of White Paupers to the City Cemetery and for hauling sick to Hospital, and recommending the acceptance of the bid of Mr S E Rosengren for same: Also for furnishing ground and graves for Colored Paupers and for hauling remains of Colored Paupers to the Colored Cemetery and recommending the acceptance of the bid of Capitol City Burial Association, provided they furnish bond for same as required by the Committee. On motion the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Mayor laid before the Council a report from the Supt of the Water & Light Plant replying to the report of the Auditor employed by the City to Audit the Annual report of the Water & Light Commission for the year 1907. The report was read:

Alderman Moore moved that it be received and filed:

Alderman Moreland moved as a substitute that it be referred to Mr Milton Morris the Auditor who made the report for the City, with the request that he report back to the Council.

Alderman Crocker moved that it be referred to the Water & Light Committee.

The vote was taken on the motion of Alderman Moreland, with the following result, viz:

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Cuneo, Haynes, Moreland, Petri, Sutor & Wilhelm	7
Nays Aldermen Crocker, Meredith, Miller, Moore, Redd, Scott & Smith	7

The Mayor stated that, he being one of the Water & Light Commission, he declined to vote, and that the Council would take another vote.

Alderman Cuneo moved <sup>as substitute for all motions</sup> that the report be referred to a special Committee of 4 to report at the next meeting of the Council, which motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Cuneo, Scott & Smith	4
Nays Aldermen Crocker, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moore, Moreland, Petri, Redd, Sutor & Wilhelm	12

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Alderman Moore moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Yeas Alderman Moore & Wilhelm	2
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Alderman Redd moved that the Report of Mr Brooks be referred to a Committee of three consisting of Aldermen Moreland, Cuneo & Scott, which motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas Aldermen Crocker, Cuneo, Miller, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sutor & The Mayor	8
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Mr. Moore as Secy to  
Committee

Resolution directing  
City Engineer to have  
pictures of Mayors  
in Council Chamber

Appro Storm Sewer  
West Sixth

Appro Laterals  
Storm Sewer

Salary Dog Catcher

Pay for work in City  
Parks

Resolution Council  
Chamber

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Alderman Cuneo moved to add Mr. Milton Morris to the Board of Aldermen on the report of Mr. Brooks, which motion prevailed.

New Business :

Alderman Moore offered the following resolution which was read and adopted. It is resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That whereas the pictures of former Mayors of this City have never been hung in the new Council chamber, that the City Engineer is hereby directed to have all said frames and pictures retouched and hung in the Council chamber.

By Alderman Scott. An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$1725.00 for the purpose of building a storm sewer on West sixth street.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moore, Morland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sator & Wilhelm 14

Nays none.

By Alderman Scott an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 50,00 for the purpose of building laterals for storm sewer on Congress Avenue.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moore, Morland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sator & Wilhelm 14

Nays none ..

By Alderman Smith an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 300,00 for the purpose of paying the salary of f Dog catcher and Assst.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Cuneo, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Moore, Morland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sator & Wilhelm 14

Nays none.

By Alderman Smith an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$ 40,00 for the purpose of paying Geo Callen for work done in Parks in the City.

The ordinance was read the first time and passed under suspension of the rules by the following vote :

Yeas Aldermen Armstrong, Crocker, Haynes, Meredith, Miller, Morland, Petri, Redd, Scott, Smith, Sator & Wilhelm 14

Nay: Alderman Cuneo & Moore

Alderman Petri offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted. It is resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin: That whereas the clock purchased by G. A. Hahn has never kept proper time, that the City Council is hereby instructed to return the same to G. A. Hahn and that he install another clock.

Alderman Cuneo moved that the Water & Light Commission be requested to furnish to the Council the quarterly report due by it for the quarter ending 30th of June 1905, which motion prevailed.

The Mayor stated to the Council that the hearing on the dock has been completed, and a report of same will soon be made to the Council.

At motion the Council adjourns.

Geo. S. Johnson City Clerk.